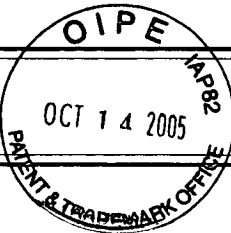


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In response to the Office Action mailed September 28, 2005, the applicant elects Species A including claims 1, 2, and 4. Please proceed to prosecution on the merits.

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